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November 10, 2008

TO: Rebecca A. Humphries, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: State Forest Land Exchange  
Traverse City Management Unit – Kalkaska County  
Land Transaction Case #20080016

Applicant: Robert S. and Tracy A. Wiseman, Ionia, Michigan

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Private Land Offered Kalkaska County, Garfield Township, T25N, R06W:  
In Exchange: The SW  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the NE  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 10. 40.0 acres more or less.

Appraised Value: \$72,000.00

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State Land Desired Kalkaska County, Blue Lake Township, T28N, R05W:  
In Exchange: The NW  $\frac{1}{4}$  of NW  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 22. 40.0 acres more or less.

Appraised Value: \$61,000.00

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Authority: Part 21 of Act 451, Public Acts of 1994, as amended

Notice: This item will appear on the Department of Natural Resources' (Department) November 24, 2008 Calendar, and is eligible for approval on December 1, 2008.

Comments: This transaction benefits both the Department and the applicant by consolidating State and private lands for efficient management.

The desired State-owned land is located in northeastern Kalkaska County, one-half mile west of Big Blue Lake. While this property does meet the corner of a larger block of State-owned land and a State Forest boundary, it does not have access and is located outside of the boundary. It was recommended for disposal in Phase II of the Department's Land Consolidation Strategy. The property consists of 40 acres of upland with a northern hardwood forest cover.

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The offered 40 acres of privately-owned land is located within the State Forest boundary and is completely surrounded by State-owned land. It is located in south-central Kalkaska County, approximately 12 miles southeast of Kalkaska. While the majority of the offered parcel is lowland, it has frontage on Big Devil Creek and dry areas on the west half of the property that could provide cabin sites.

This transaction will contribute to the Department's Land Consolidation Strategy by acquiring land that blocks in with other State-owned properties and by disposing of land that provides comparatively few benefits to the Department's mission. This transaction aids in meeting forest, fishery, and wildlife management objectives and expands opportunities for public recreation. In addition, a full two miles of boundary maintenance responsibility will be eliminated.

The desired State-owned land was acquired by tax reversion in 1929.

The proposed land exchange was reviewed and recommended for approval by the Land Exchange Review Committee on February 28, 2008. This recommendation is subject to the Department retaining all mineral rights to the property, and reserving a 25 percent royalty interest in the value of all sand, gravel, clay, and nonmetallic bedrock removed from the State-owned property to be conveyed. The Department will acquire any mineral rights of the applicant relative to the offered land.

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Recommendation: That the exchange be approved, under authority of Part 21, Act 451 of 1994, as amended, with the State reserving aboriginal antiquities, mineral rights, and a 25 percent royalty interest in the value of all sand, gravel, clay, and nonmetallic bedrock removed from the desired State-owned land.

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I approve the staff recommendation.

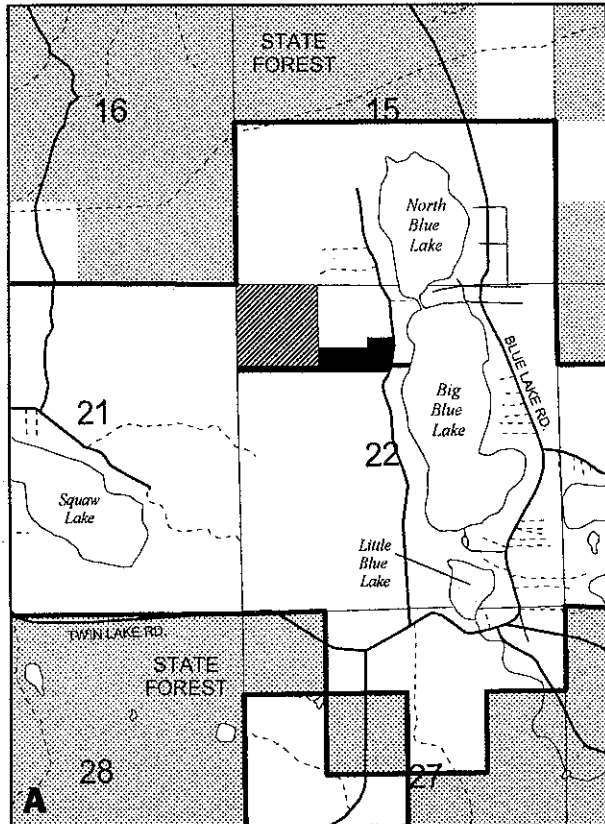
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Director

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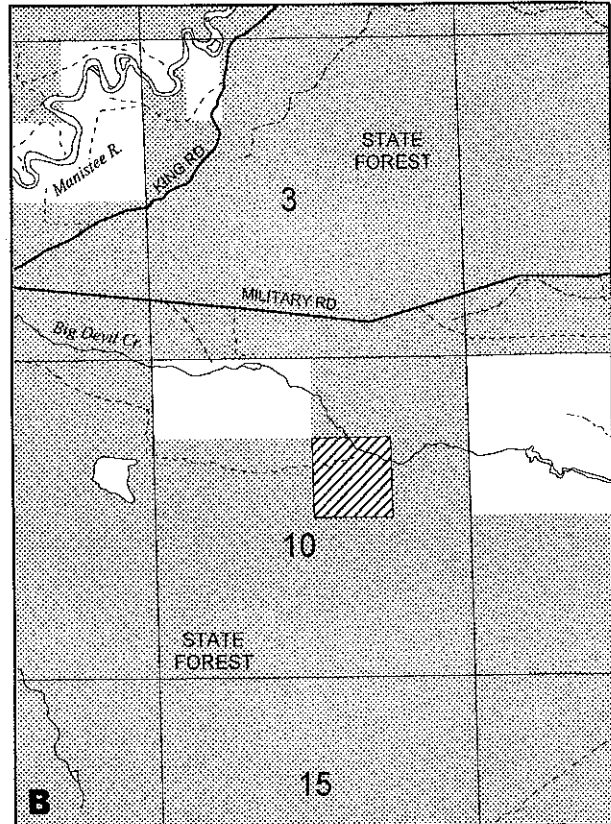
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## Traverse City Management Unit - Kalkaska County






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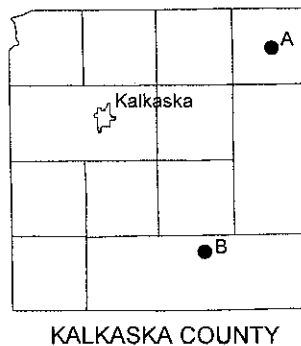


Section 22, T28N, R05W, Blue Lake Township



Section 10, T25N, R06W, Garfield Township

- State Forest boundary
-  State land desired from DNR in exchange (40.00 acres)
-  Private land offered to DNR in exchange (40.00 acres)
-  Applicant's land
-  State land
-  Private land



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